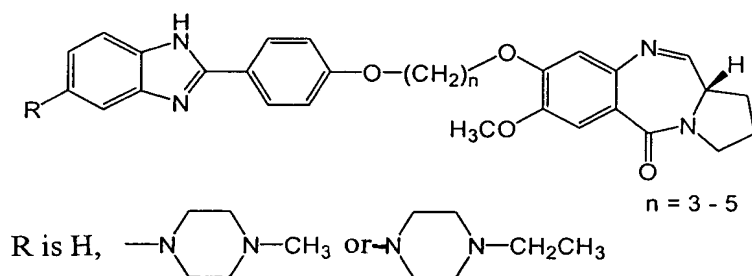


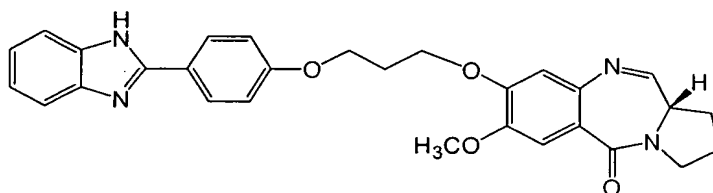
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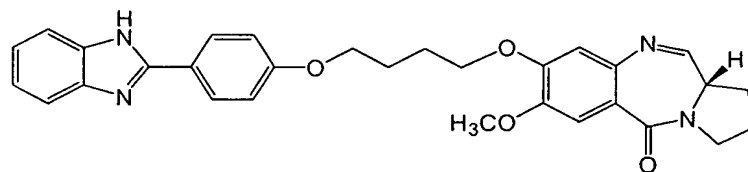
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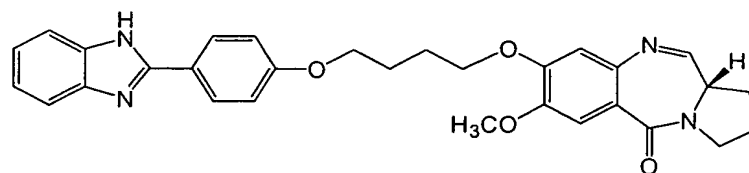
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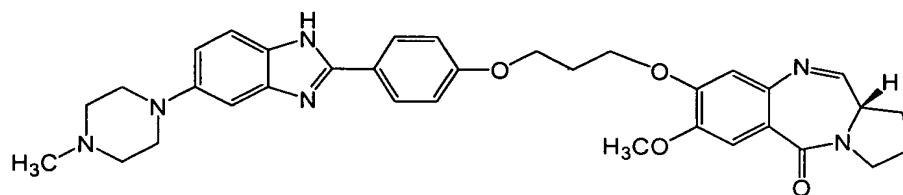
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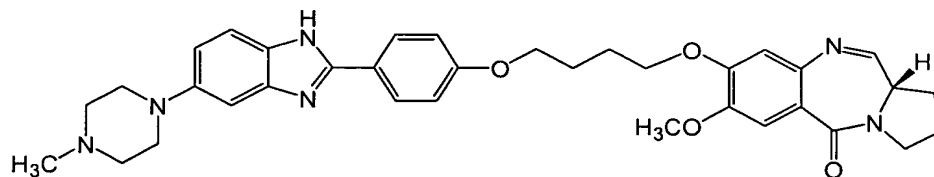
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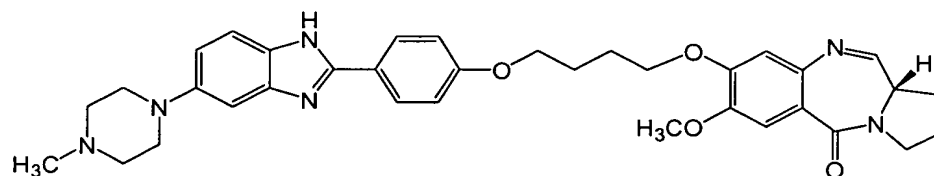
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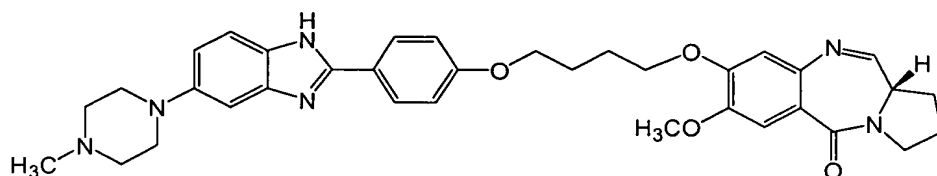
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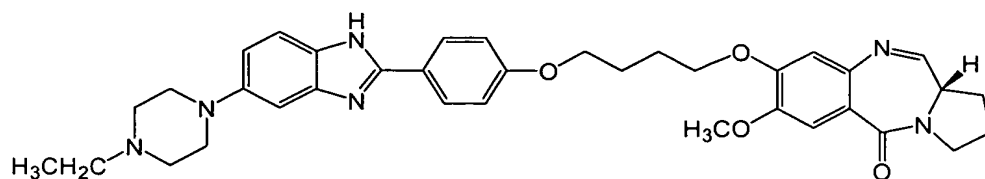
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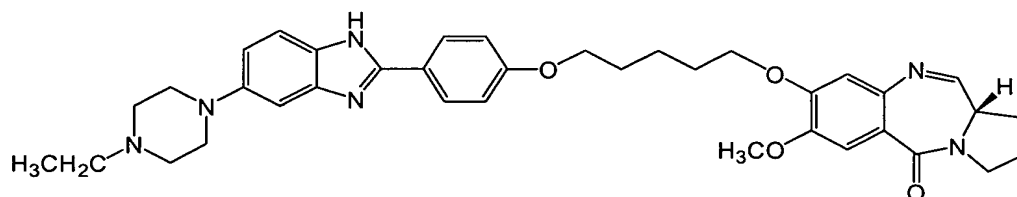
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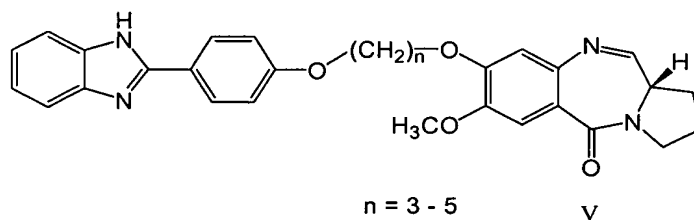
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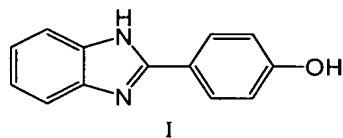
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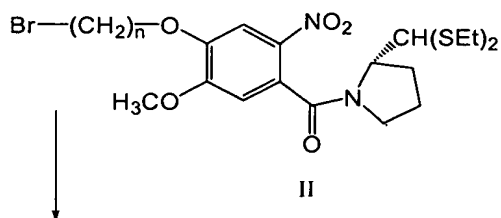
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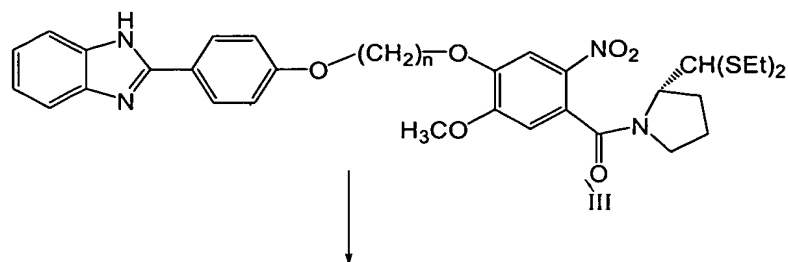
which comprises reacting a 4- (1H- benzo[d] imidazol-2-yl) phenol of formula I



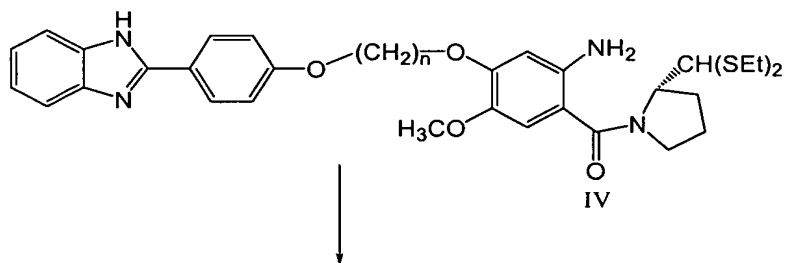
with – [4-(n- bromoalkoxy)-5- methoxy-2- nitrobenzo-yl] pyrrolidine- 2-  
carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II



in the presence of  $K_2CO_3$  in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)-N- {4-(1H- benzo [d] imidazo- 2 yl) phenoxy} alkyl - oxy- 5 methoxy- 2-nitrobenzoyl} pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal III

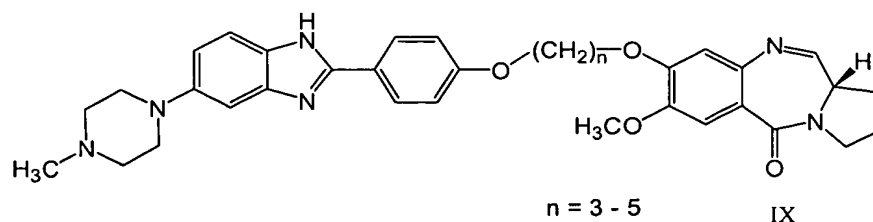


where "n" is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula III with  $SnCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$  in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflux temperature, isolating the (2S) -N- {n- 4- (1H- benzo [d] imidazo- 2yl)phenoxy}alkyl]-oxy-5-methoxy-2-aminobenzoyl} pyrrolidine- 2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal of formula IV

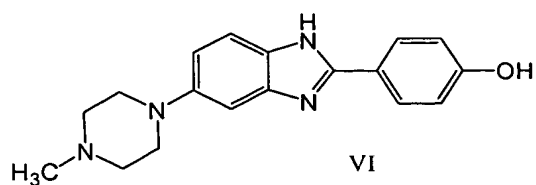


where n is 3 to 5 by known methods, reacting the compound of formula IV with a deprotecting agent to obtain a compound of formula V, wherein n is as defined above.

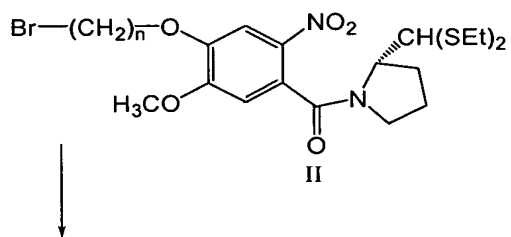
29. (New). A process for the preparation of a compound of formula IX



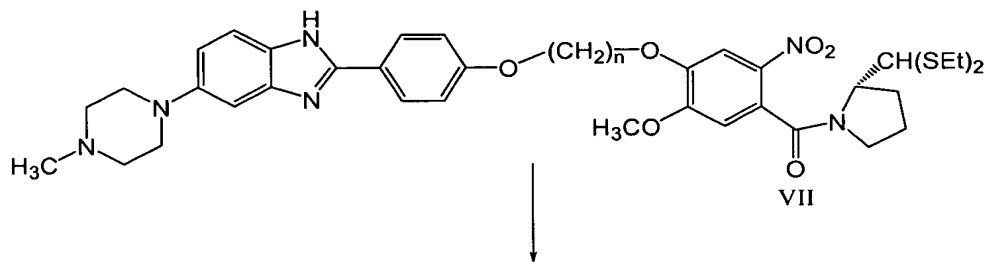
which comprises reacting a 4- [6-4.- methylhexahydro- 1- pyrazinyl)- 1H - benzo [imidazol- 2- yl] phenol VI



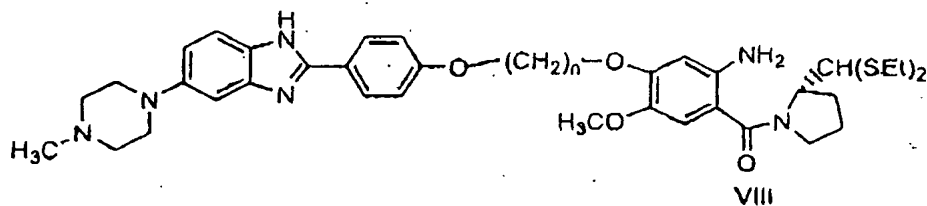
with N-[4-(n-bromoalkoxy)-5-methoxy-2-nitrobenzo-yl]pyrrolidine-2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II



in the presence of  $K_2CO_3$  in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)-N- {n- (4- [6-(4-methylhexahydro-1-pyrazinyl)- 1H- benzo [d] imidazol- 2-yl] phenoxy] alkyl-oxy-5-methoxy-2- nitrobenzoyl pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal VII

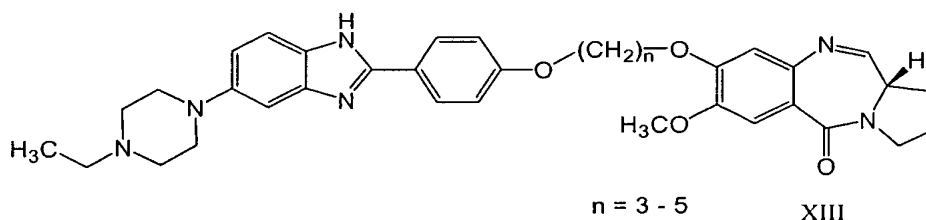


where n is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula VII with  $SnCl_2O$  in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflux temperature, isolating (2S)-N- {n- (4- [6-(4-methylhexahydro-1-pyrazinyl )- 1H- benzo [d] imidazol-2- yl] phenoxy] alkyl)-oxy-5- methoxy -2- aminobenzoyl pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal of formula VIII



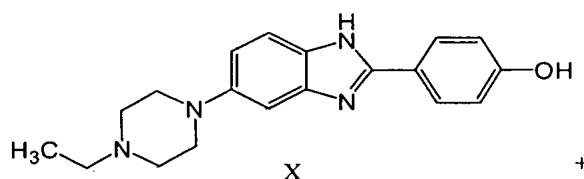
and reacting the compound of formula VIII with a deprotecting agent to produce a compound of formula IX pyrrolo [ 2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula IX wherein n is as defined above.

30. (New) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula XIII

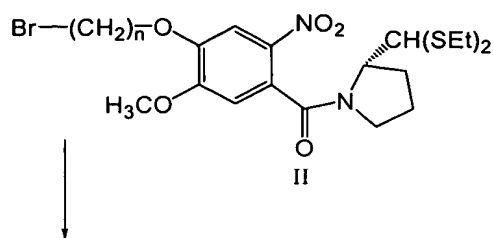


which comprises reacting a 4- [6-(4- ethylhexahydro- I-pyrazinyl)- 1H- benzo [d] imidazol-2- yl] phenol

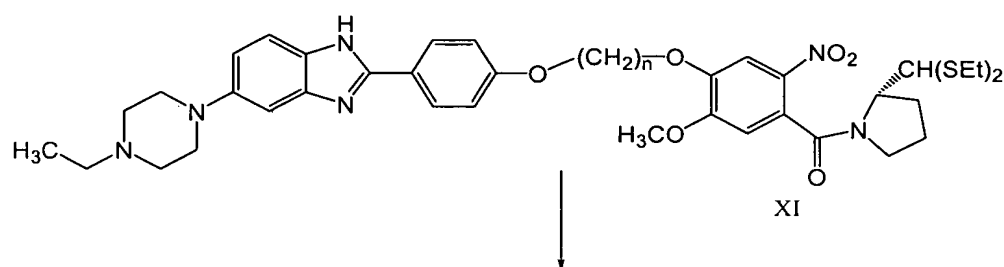
of formula X



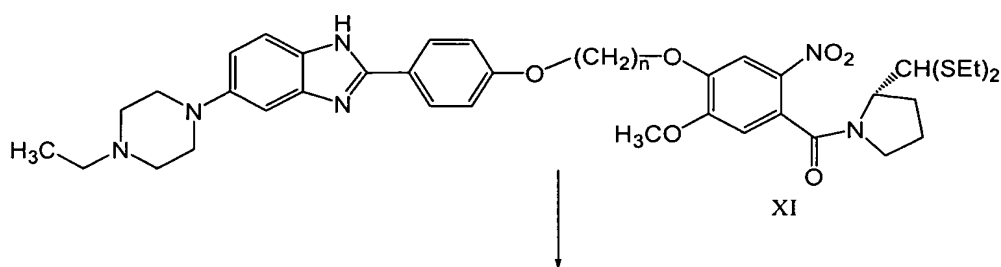
with – [4-(n- bromoalkyloxy)-5- methoxyy-2,- nitrobenzo-yl] pyrrolidine- 2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II



in the presence of  $K_2CO_3$  in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)- - {n-(4-[6-(4-ethylhexahydro-1-pyrazinyl)-H-benzo[d]imidazol-2-yl]phenoxy]alkyl)-oxy-5-methoxy-2-nitrobenzoyl} pyrrolidine-2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal of formula XI



where "n" is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula XI with  $SnCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$  in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflux temperature, isolating (2S)-N- {n-(4-[6-(4-ethylhexahydro-1-pyrazinyl)-1H-benzo[d]imidazol-2-yl]phenoxy]alkyl)-oxy-5-methoxy-2-aminobenzoyl} pyrrolidine-2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal of formula XII where n is 3 to 5



and reacting the amino compound of formula XII with a deprotecting agent to produce the compound of formula XIII wherein n is as defined above.

31. (New ) A composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 and an excipient.

32. (New). A method for treating a mammal comprising administering an effective amount of

a compound according to claim 1 to the mammal wherein the mammal has at least one cancer selected from the group consisting of leukemia, non-small cell lung, colon, central nervous system, melanoma, ovarian, renal, prostate and breast cancer.

34. (New) A method for treating a mammal comprising administering an effective amount of a composition according to claim 32 to the mammal wherein the mammal has at least one cancer selected from the group consisting of leukemia, non-small cell lung, colon, central nervous system, melanoma, ovarian, renal, prostate and breast cancer.

35. (New) The method according to claim 33 wherein the mammal is a human.

36. (New) The method according to claim 34 wherein the mammal is a human.